

ARIZONA HIGHWAY PATROL ASSOCIATION



NEWS ADVISORY

AHPA To Honor 26 Officers Killed in Line of Duty with Memorial Ceremony

10th Anniversary of Monument Dedication; Annual event will take place on Monday, May 5

(Phoenix, AZ) –The men and women of the Arizona Highway Patrol Association (AHPA) will pay their respects to the 26 Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) officers who have been killed in the line of duty. The Annual AHPA Police Officer Memorial Ceremony is scheduled for Monday, May 5 at 9 A.M.

This year marks the tenth anniversary since the AHPA-commissioned monument to honor DPS fallen Officers was dedicated. During this years' ceremony, special recognition will be given to the original AHPA committee members who worked so hard to make the monument possible. AHPA is also commemorating this tenth anniversary with a limited edition challenge coin that will be presented to each surviving family and a special tenth anniversary display presented to the DPS.

Governor Janet Napolitano and **DPS Director Roger Vanderpool**, will speak at the ceremony. This annual memorial not only honors the officers, but also the sacrifices of their families. This ceremony is a solemn reminder of the danger DPS officers face every day as they protect and serve the State of Arizona.

WHAT: DPS Officer Memorial Ceremony

WHEN: Monday, May 5, 9 a.m.

WHERE: DPS Headquarters Building 2102 W. Encanto Blvd. Phoenix

Meet in front courtyard by the Police Officer Memorial Statue

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